# **HOUSE JOURNAL**

### SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, THIRD CALLED SESSION

### **PROCEEDINGS**

### SEVENTH DAY — THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2006

The house met at 12:37 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 45).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Allen, A.; Alonzo; Anchia; Anderson; Bailey; Berman; Blake; Bohac; Bonnen; Branch; Brown, B.; Brown, F.; Burnam; Callegari; Campbell; Casteel; Castro; Chavez; Chisum; Coleman; Cook, B.; Corte, V.; Crabb; Crownover; Davis, J.; Davis, Y.; Dawson; Delisi; Denny; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dunnam; Dutton; Edwards; Eiland; Eissler; Elkins; England; Farabee; Farrar; Flores; Flynn; Frost; Gallego; Gattis; Geren; Giddings; Gonzales; Gonzalez Toureilles; Goodman; Goolsby; Griggs; Grusendorf; Guillen; Haggerty; Hamilton; Hamric; Hardcastle; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Hegar; Hernandez; Herrero; Hill; Hochberg; Hodge; Hope; Hopson; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Hughes; Hunter; Hupp; Isett, C.N.; Jackson; Jones, D.; Jones, J.; Keel; Keffer, B.; King, P.; King, T.; Kolkhorst; Krusee; Kuempel; Laney; Laubenberg; Leibowitz; Luna; Madden; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McCall; McClendon; McReynolds; Menendez; Merritt; Miller; Morrison; Mowery; Naishtat; Nixon; Noriega, R.; Olivo; Orr; Otto; Paxton; Peña; Phillips; Pickett; Pitts; Puente; Quintanilla; Raymond; Reyna; Riddle; Ritter; Rodriguez; Rose; Seaman; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solis; Strama; Straus; Swinford; Talton; Taylor; Thompson; Truitt; Turner; Uresti; Van Arsdale; Veasey; Villarreal; Vo; West; Wong; Woolley; Zedler.

Absent, Excused — Escobar; Hilderbran; Homer; Keffer, J.; Oliveira.

Absent — Cook, R.; Moreno, P.; Solomons.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of illness:

Solomons on motion of Truitt.

#### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Representative Edwards moved to suspend all necessary rules in order to take up and consider at this time HR 214, HR 215, HR 223, HR 225, HR 249, HR 256 - HR 258, and HR 260.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolutions were laid before the house:

- **HR 214** (by Flynn), Honoring Brandon Kirkpatrick on being named 2006 valedictorian of Grand Saline High School.
- **HR 215** (by Flynn), Honoring Steve Steadham on his retirement as principal of Rains High School in Emory.
- **HR 223** (by Madden), Honoring Michele Deitch and Michael Mushlin for their work in hosting a conference on correctional oversight and human rights at The University of Texas at Austin in April 2006.
- **HR 225** (by Seaman), Honoring the Flour Bluff High School Navy Junior ROTC on winning the 2006 Navy Junior ROTC Nationals.
- **HR 249** (by Hill), Congratulating Ray and Barbara Ingram on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 256** (by Eissler), Congratulating Chris Landa of Conroe on being named a semifinalist in the 2006 state's Arbor Day poster contest.
- **HR 257** (by Quintanilla), Honoring Susan Hill on her nomination for the Socorro ISD Superintendent's Coin of Excellence award.
- **HR 258** (by Pickett), Granting permission to the YMCA Youth and Government Program to use the chamber of the Texas House of Representatives.
- **HR 260** (by Y. Davis), Honoring Bill and Jean Frazier of Round Rock on their 45th wedding anniversary.

The resolutions were adopted.

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

On motion of Representative Eiland and by unanimous consent, all members who were granted leaves of absence on the previous legislative day were granted leaves for this legislative day.

# HR 250 - ADOPTED (by Hunter)

Representative Hunter moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 250**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 250, In memory of Dr. L. Shannon Holloway, Jr., of Abilene.

HR 250 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

# HR 227 - ADOPTED (by W. Smith)

Representative W. Smith moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 227**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 227**, Recognizing April 26, 2006, as County Government Day at the State Capitol.

HR 227 was adopted.

On motion of Representative West, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 227** as signers thereof.

# HR 259 - ADOPTED (by Hamric)

Representative Hamric moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 259**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 259**, Congratulating Tommy and Laura Craddick on the birth of their son, Thomas Russell "Tripp" Craddick III.

HR 259 was read and was adopted.

On motion of Representative Woolley, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 259** as signers thereof.

## MAJOR STATE CALENDAR HOUSE BILLS THIRD READING

The following bills were laid before the house and read third time:

# HB 5 ON THIRD READING (by Hamric)

**HB 5**, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to increases in the taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products.

A record vote was requested.

HB 5 was passed by (Record 46): 82 Yeas, 57 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Anchia; Berman; Blake; Bohac; Branch; Brown, F.; Callegari; Campbell; Casteel; Chavez; Cook, B.; Crabb; Crownover; Davis, J.; Dawson; Delisi; Denny; Driver; Dutton; Edwards; Eiland; Eissler; England; Farabee; Flores; Flynn; Gattis; Geren; Giddings; Gonzales; Goodman; Goolsby; Griggs; Grusendorf; Hamric; Hardcastle; Hegar; Hill; Hope; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Hunter; Jackson; Jones, J.; Keel; King, P.; Kolkhorst; Krusee; Leibowitz; Luna; Madden; McCall; McClendon; McReynolds; Morrison; Mowery; Nixon; Noriega, R.; Orr; Otto; Pickett; Pitts; Quintanilla; Reyna; Ritter; Seaman; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solis; Strama; Straus; Taylor; Truitt; Uresti; Van Arsdale; Villarreal; Vo; West; Wong; Woolley; Zedler.

Nays — Allen, A.; Alonzo; Anderson; Bailey; Bonnen; Brown, B.; Burnam; Castro; Chisum; Coleman; Corte, V.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Dukes; Dunnam; Elkins; Farrar; Frost; Gallego; Gonzalez Toureilles; Guillen; Haggerty; Hamilton; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Hernandez; Herrero; Hochberg; Hopson; Hughes;

Hupp; Isett, C.N.; Jones, D.; Keffer, B.; King, T.; Kuempel; Laney; Laubenberg; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Menendez; Merritt; Miller; Naishtat; Paxton; Peña; Phillips; Puente; Raymond; Riddle; Rodriguez; Rose; Swinford; Talton; Thompson; Turner; Veasey.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Escobar; Hilderbran; Homer; Keffer, J.; Oliveira; Solomons.

Absent — Cook, R.; Hodge; Moreno, P.; Olivo.

(R. Cook now present)

### STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 46 was taken, I was in the house but away from my desk. I would have voted yes.

R. Cook

I was shown voting yes on Record No. 46. I intended to vote no.

Flynn

### REASON FOR VOTE

I voted "no" on **HB 5** because the purpose of the bill, as clearly stated by the special committee and as demonstrated by the dedication of funds, has no relationship to public health. As a means of funding a one time buydown of property taxes, this legislation increases the regressive nature of the Texas tax system. This bill fails to provide funding for smoking cessation programs, it ignores the need for an anti-smoking campaign, which should be targeted at our youth, and it unnecessarily punishes low income Texans.

Rodriguez

(Edwards in the chair)

### COMMITTEE GRANTED PERMISSION TO MEET

Representative P. King requested permission for the Committee on Regulated Industries to meet while the house is in session at 1 p.m. today in JHR 140.

Permission to meet was granted.

### 24 HOUR POSTING RULE SUSPENDED

Representative P. King moved to suspend the 24 hour posting rule to allow the Committee on Regulated Industries to meet at 1 p.m. today.

The motion prevailed.

### COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The following committee meeting was announced:

Regulated Industries, 1 p.m. today, JHR 140, for a public hearing.

#### CONGRATULATORY AND MEMORIAL CALENDAR

The following congratulatory resolutions were laid before the house:

- **HCR 14** (by Hughes), Honoring D. H. Abernathy on his retirement as mayor of Pittsburg.
- **HCR 19** (by R. Cook), Designating Giddings and Lee County as the official Festival Capital of Texas.
  - HCR 21 was previously adopted.
- HCR 22 (by Guillen), Welcoming director Melissa Reyna and the young men and women of the Cantare Community Youth Choir to the State Capitol.
- **HCR 23** (by Guillen), Honoring Hector Trevino on the occasion of his retirement from the U.S. Border Patrol.
- **HR 14** (by Goolsby), Honoring Dallas on the 150th anniversary of its incorporation.
  - HR 19 (by Goolsby), Recognizing Pavillion Bank of Richardson.
- **HR 21** (by Goolsby), Honoring All Saints Catholic Church and School on the occasion of the parish's 30th anniversary.
- **HR 22** (by Goolsby), Honoring President George Herbert Walker Bush and former First Lady Barbara Bush on their receipt of the Allan Shivers Public Service Award from the Headliners Foundation of Texas.
- **HR 23** (by Goolsby), Honoring the Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce on its 20th anniversary.
- **HR 24** (by Goolsby), Commending Larry Foles and Guy Villavaso for their commitment to providing Central Texans with exceptional seafood at Eddie V's Edgewater Grille.
- **HR 28** (by Goolsby), Honoring Sergeant Joe A. DeCorte on his retirement from the Dallas Police Department.
- **HR 34** (by Hill), Congratulating the Richardson Berkner Rams basketball team for reaching the Class 5A final four in the 2006 UIL state tournament.
- **HR 39** (by Madden), Recognizing the cooperative agreement between the Probation Officer's Association of Wielkopolska, Poland, and the Texas Probation Association and encouraging the development of similar agreements with other countries.
  - HR 47 (by Hilderbran), Recognizing Leona Williams as an honorary Texan.
- **HR 51** (by T. Smith), Honoring Chief Leonard Carmack on his retirement from the Euless Police Department.
- **HR 52** (by T. Smith), Honoring Basil McDaniel of Bedford on his 80th birthday.
- **HR 53** (by T. Smith), Honoring the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on the 100th anniversary of its founding.

- HR 54 was withdrawn.
- **HR 59** (by Solis), Honoring Joe Hernandez for his service to the San Benito community.
- **HR 62** (by Naishtat), Recognizing May 8, 2006, as Texas Children's Mental Health Awareness Day in Central Texas.
- **HR 63** (by Kolkhorst), Honoring the Cat Spring Agricultural Society on its 150th anniversary in June 2006.
- **HR 68** (by Bailey), Honoring the Reverend Isaac Grant, Jr., and Constance D. Grant on Reverend Grant's seventh pastoral anniversary with Greater Love Baptist Church in Austin.
- **HR 70** (by B. Cook), Congratulating Roger and Marie Johnston of Corsicana on their 69th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 72** (by Zedler), Honoring Justin James Veltman of Burleson for earning the rank of Eagle Scout.
- **HR 74** (by Jackson), Congratulating Shirley and George Haley of Austin on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 75** (by Woolley), Commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution and recognizing the sacrifices of Hungarian Freedom Fighters, the contributions of Hungarian Americans, and the friendship between the people and governments of the United States and Hungary.
- **HR 76** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring U.S. Army Corporal Curtis A. Volling of Alice for his service in Iraq.
- **HR** 77 (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Congratulating Melba and Bryan Stridde on the acceptance of the Meyer-Stridde Ranch into the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 78** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring Rosemary Haynes of McMullen County and her family on the induction of their ranch into the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 79** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring the Zowarka Z Cross Ranch on its inclusion in the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 80** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Congratulating John Charles Austin of McMullen County on the induction of the Austin Ranch into the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 81** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring the Guy H. Smith and Sons Ranch on its inclusion in the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 82** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Congratulating the Mahoney and McDonald families of Atascosa County on the acceptance of the Mahoney-McDonald Ranch into the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.

- **HR 83** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Congratulating James L. Rayes and Susan "Rebecca" Rayes Glover on the induction of the Lewis Ranch into the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 84** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring Specialist Thomas Gabriel Cantu of Alice for his service in Iraq.
- **HR 85** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring Sergeant Mario Almaraz, Jr., of Alice for his service in Iraq.
- **HR 86** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring the United Veterans Burial Association of Alice.
- **HR 87** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Recognizing the sesquicentennial of Live Oak County.
- $\mathbf{HR}$  88 (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring Manuela Vela of Alice on her 100th birthday.
- **HR 89** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring Celerina T. Medina of Alice on her 105th birthday.
- **HR 91** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring U.S. Army Private First Class Javier Garcia of Alice for his service in Iraq.
- **HR 92** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), Honoring Linda Turner McKay and Jean Turner Culli of Beeville for the acceptance of Oakland Stock Farm into the Texas Family Land Heritage Program.
- **HR 94** (by W. Smith), Honoring Reverend Charles R. Dunn and Shirley Dunn for 40 years of service to Central Baptist Church in Deer Park.
- **HR 96** (by Craddick), Congratulating Jack and Marline Byrd of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 97** (by Craddick), Congratulating Arlie and Mary Bryant of Greenwood on their 65th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 98** (by Craddick), Congratulating Derwood and Joan Blagrave of Lamesa on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 99** (by Craddick), Congratulating Vernon and Joyce Syler of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 100** (by Craddick), Honoring Carl Gonzales II of Midland on winning first place at The University of Texas System Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation conference in Dallas.
- **HR 102** (by Craddick), Honoring Midland residents B. H. and Pat Spaw on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 103** (by Craddick), Honoring Lloyd and Ruth Thomas of Midland on their 60th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 104** (by Craddick), Congratulating Troy and Pauline Barnes of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.

- **HR 106** (by Craddick), Congratulating Huston and Gynell McMillen of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 107** (by Craddick), Honoring Wanda and Bob Burkhalter of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 108** (by Craddick), Congratulating Connie and Mary Patterson of Midland on their 60th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 109** (by Craddick), Congratulating Dan and Rita Garner on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 110** (by Craddick), Honoring John and Caroline Holmes of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 111** (by Craddick), Congratulating Neale and Jo Roy of Lamesa on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 112** (by Craddick), Congratulating Alvin and Earlene Riley on their 60th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 113** (by Craddick), Congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Gilford C. Roberts of McCamey on their 70th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 114** (by Craddick), Honoring Glynn and Peggy Cunningham of Crane on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 115** (by Craddick), Honoring Glenn and LaDon Matthews of Lamesa on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- $\boldsymbol{HR}$  116 (by Craddick), Honoring Graydon and Martha Yester of Midland on their 55th wedding anniversary.
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  m HR}$  117 (by Craddick), Honoring Gary and Glenda Pearce of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 118** (by Craddick), Honoring Imagene and O. Doyle Butler of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 119** (by Craddick), Honoring John and Jo Marie Them of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 120** (by Craddick), Honoring Robert and Virginia McLelland of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 121** (by Craddick), Honoring Jerry and Barbara Smith of Midland on their 50th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 122** (by Craddick), Honoring Apolonio and Mario Granado of McCamey on their 66th wedding anniversary.
- **HR 123** (by Craddick), Honoring Howard and JoAnn Staudt of Lamesa on their golden wedding anniversary.

The resolutions were adopted.

The following memorial resolutions were laid before the house:

HCR 18 was withdrawn.

**HCR 25** (by Hilderbran), In memory of legendary Texas songwriter Cindy Walker of Mexia.

**HR 15** (by Goolsby), In memory of Juanita Lewis Miller of Dallas.

HR 16 (by Goolsby), In memory of broadcast journalist Anthony Otis Garrett of Dallas.

**HR 17** (by Goolsby), In memory of Officer Brian Howard Jackson of the Dallas Police Department.

HR 18 (by Goolsby), In memory of R. C. "Ted" Bibby of Dallas.

HR 20 (by Goolsby), In memory of James Lindsay Embrey, Jr., of Dallas.

HR 25 (by Goolsby), In memory of Modyne Baity-Boatwright of Austin.

HR 26 (by Goolsby), In memory of John Carl Heft of Richardson.

HR 32 was withdrawn.

HR 41 (by Hilderbran), In memory of James Layton Snyder of Kerrville.

HR 42 (by Hilderbran), In memory of Edward Julius Lange of Comfort.

HR 43 (by Hilderbran), In memory of Marvin Livingston Stone of Kerrville.

**HR 44** (by Hilderbran), In memory of R. Floyd Price of Kerrville.

**HR 45** (by Hilderbran), In memory of Anna Elisabeth "Betty" Strohacker of Kerrville.

HR 46 (by Hilderbran), In memory of Rose Sturges of Kerrville.

 $\mathbf{HR}$  48 (by Hilderbran), In memory of Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Paul Bruce Montague of Bandera.

HR 49 (by Hilderbran), In memory of John D. Mullins of Kerrville.

HR 50 (by Hilderbran), In memory of Shirley Grace Edge of Kerrville.

**HR 90** (by Gonzalez Toureilles), In memory of U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Oscar Raul Rodriguez.

HR 93 (by W. Smith), In memory of Carole Opryshek of Baytown.

HR 95 (by Craddick), In memory of John Frank Younger, Sr., of Midland.

**HR 101** (by Craddick), In memory of world-renowned tenor Enzo Stuarti of Midland.

HR 143 (by Craddick), In memory of Dr. Viola M. Coleman of Midland.

HR 147 (by Hilderbran), In memory of Claire Johnston of Bandera.

**HR 151** (by Hughes), In memory of Dr. Charles A. Berry, Jr., president emeritus of Jarvis Christian College.

HR 157 was withdrawn.

HR 163 (by Dunnam), In memory of Lyndon Lowell Olson, Sr., of Waco.

SCR 2 (Hardcastle - House Sponsor), In memory of Eleanor Goode Brune.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

# HR 264 - ADOPTED (by R. Cook)

Representative R. Cook moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 264**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 264**, Honoring the Winchester Cemetery Association on the occasion of Decoration Day, May 7, 2006, at Winchester Cemetery in Fayette County.

HR 264 was adopted.

# HR 207 - ADOPTED (by Quintanilla)

Representative Quintanilla moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 207**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 207**, Honoring the 20th anniversary of the El Paso Mission Trail Association.

HR 207 was adopted.

# HR 268 - ADOPTED (by McReynolds)

Representative Quintanilla moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 268**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 268, In memory of Arthur Temple, Jr., of Lufkin.

HR 268 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

# BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING AND REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

Bills and joint resolutions were at this time laid before the house, read first time, and referred to committees. Resolutions were at this time laid before the house and referred to committees. (See the addendum to the daily journal, Referred to Committees, List No. 1.)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Kolkhorst moved that the house adjourn until 2 p.m. Monday, May 1 in memory of Donal Wass of Bellville.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 1:25 p.m., adjourned until 2 p.m. Monday, May 1.

# ADDENDUM

#### REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

The following bills and joint resolutions were today laid before the house, read first time, and referred to committees, and the following resolutions were today laid before the house and referred to committees. If indicated, the chair today corrected the referral of the following measures:

### List No. 1

**HB 99** (By Leibowitz), Relating to increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation by a school district to \$45,000, providing for an adjustment of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed by a school district on the homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect the increased exemption amount and changes in the school district's ad valorem tax rate, and protecting school districts against the resulting loss in local revenue.

To Ways and Means.

**HB 100** (By Hochberg), Relating to school district accounting systems To Public Education.

**HB 101** (By Delisi), Relating to an awards for student achievement program at certain public school campuses.

To Public Education.

**HB 102** (By Delisi), Relating to a comprehensive statewide strategy for the retention and advancement of classroom teachers and certain other professional employees in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 103 (By Bonnen), Relating to the state sales and use tax rate.

To Ways and Means.

HB 104 (By Y. Davis), Relating to a bill of rights for the poor.

To State Affairs.

**HB 105** (By Goodman), Relating to the use of parenting plans and parenting coordinators in suits affecting the parent-child relationship.

To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

**HB 106** (By P. King), Relating to the protection of customer telephone records; providing a penalty.

To Regulated Industries.

**HB 107** (By Eiland), Relating to public financing of retirement of state employees and officers; making an appropriation.

To Pensions and Investments.

**HB 111** (By Pitts), Relating to certain supplemental state appropriations for deferred payments.

To Appropriations.

**HB 112** (By Pitts), Relating to certain supplemental state appropriations for previously deferred payments.

To Appropriations.

**HB 113** (By Pitts), Relating to payment of certain claims for indigent inmate defense.

To Appropriations.

**HB 114** (By Pitts), Relating to appropriating money to pay for a judgment rendered in certain litigation.

To Appropriations.

**HB 115** (By Pitts), Relating to appropriations for Medicare giveback payments.

To Appropriations.

**HB 116** (By Pitts), Relating to a supplemental appropriation for Foundation School Program equalized operations.

To Appropriations.

**HB 117** (By Pitts), Relating to appropriations to the adjutant general's department for military facilities duties.

To Appropriations.

**HB** 118 (By Pitts), Relating to appropriating money to the Texas Commission on the Arts.

To Appropriations.

**HB 119** (By Pitts), Relating to making appropriations in connection with the former Cosmetology Commission and former Board of Barber Examiners.

To Appropriations.

**HCR 26** (By Guillen), Honoring the life of Dr. Margaret G. Cigarroa of Laredo and commemorating the dedication of the Dr. Margaret G. Cigarroa Literacy Center.

**HJR 29** (By Naishtat), Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes.

To Ways and Means.

**HJR 30** (By Leibowitz), Proposing a constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes to \$45,000 and providing for an adjustment of the limitation on the total amount of taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect the increased exemption amount and changes in the rate of the tax imposed for those purposes.

To Ways and Means.

**HR 170** (By Veasey), Honoring Starshine Nolan for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 171** (By Veasey), Honoring Maggie Norris for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 172** (By Veasey), Honoring Kathy Grahmann for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 173** (By Veasey), Honoring Karie Pearson for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 174** (By Veasey), Honoring Linda Fuller for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 175** (By Veasey), Honoring Marlani Hewett for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 176** (By Veasey), Honoring Lisa Bowshier for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 177** (By Veasey), Honoring Trish Caudill for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 178** (By Veasey), Honoring Gerri Lyn Combest for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

**HR 179** (By Veasey), Honoring Holly Kane for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 180** (By Veasey), Honoring Gina Sain for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 181** (By Veasey), Honoring Bryann Hollis for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 182** (By Veasey), Honoring Robin Tipton for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 183** (By Veasey), Honoring Holly Letz for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 184** (By Veasey), Honoring Gina Mullins for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 185** (By Veasey), Honoring Wendy Hall for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 186** (By Veasey), Honoring the Dunbar High School girls' basketball team on its outstanding season.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 187** (By Veasey), Honoring Rosie Moncrief for her generous support of soldiers during their service in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 188** (By Veasey), Honoring Shirley Pippin for her generous support of soldiers during their service in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 189** (By Veasey), Honoring Loretta Messinger for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 190** (By Veasey), Honoring Ladonna Goodson for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 191** (By Veasey), Honoring Sharon Lockard for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 192** (By Veasey), Honoring Kindle Cooper for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

**HR 193** (By Veasey), Honoring Lisa Vega for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 194** (By Veasey), Honoring Melisa Walker for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 195** (By Veasey), Honoring Jackie Bryan for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 196** (By Veasey), Honoring Marlene Scholari for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 197** (By Veasey), Honoring Theresa Taylor for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 198** (By Veasey), Honoring Lynda Nunley for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 199** (By Veasey), Honoring Marilyn Piatt for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 200** (By Veasey), Honoring Beth Easterling for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 201** (By Veasey), Honoring Samantha Martin for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 202** (By Veasey), Honoring Ronda Hicks for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 203** (By Veasey), Honoring Gwen Harris for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 204** (By Veasey), Honoring Beth Tolan for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 205** (By Veasey), Honoring Brenda Miner for her perseverance and courage during her husband's deployment in Iraq.

To Rules and Resolutions.

HR 206 (By Naishtat), In memory of Jesse "Guitar" Taylor of Austin.

**HR 209** (By Hochberg), Congratulating Rushan Gao for his gold medal victories at the 19th World Senior Games.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 210** (By Keel), Congratulating Erica Martin of Hyde Park Baptist School in Austin on earning first place for color photography in the 2006 Texas Media Awards contest sponsored by the Texas Library Association.

To Rules and Resolutions.

HR 211 (By J. Jones), In memory of Charles Henry Love of Dallas.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 212** (By B. Keffer), Honoring Highlander School in the Lake Highlands community of Dallas on its 40th anniversary in 2006.

To Rules and Resolutions.

HR 213 (By Zedler), Honoring Buena Flora Milligan of Crowley.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 216** (By Crownover), Honoring Patricia L. Gobble of Denton on her retirement as president and CEO of United Way of Denton County, Inc.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 217** (By Crownover), Honoring Euline Brock of Denton for her outstanding three-term tenure as mayor.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 218** (By Crownover), Honoring the Texas Woman's University gymnastics team for winning the 2006 USA Gymnastics Collegiate National Championship.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 219** (By Crownover), Congratulating Bill Utter Ford on its 50th anniversary of service to the Denton community.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 220** (By Delisi), Commending the Brazos Bottom Cowographers entertainment troupe for its efforts to honor and immortalize the history of the Old West.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 221** (By Y. Davis and Hodge), Commemorating the third annual Women And Girls Conference of the Missionary Baptist General Convention of Texas.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 222** (By Madden), Honoring the Junior League of Plano on its 30th anniversary in 2006.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 224** (By Goodman), Honoring Texas game wardens for their search and rescue operations in response to Hurricane Katrina in the summer of 2005.

**HR 226** (By Delisi), Congratulating Joshua Beaver on winning first place at the 75th annual Temple Daily Telegram Bell County Spelling Bee.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 228** (By Veasey), Honoring Pastor Elbert Lee Bowman and Annette Ray Bowman of Fort Worth on their 50th wedding anniversary.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**HR 229** (By Veasey), Honoring the Fort Worth Dunbar High School boys' basketball team on its outstanding season.

To Rules and Resolutions.

**SCR 1** to Rules and Resolutions.

# APPENDIX

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees as follows:

April 25

Ways and Means - HB 5

#### **ENGROSSED**

April 25 - HB 1, HB 2, HB 4, HB 3

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**April 24 - HCR 15**